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## **Amendment**

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To: House Bill No. **6717** 

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## "AN ACT CONCERNING THE CAPITOL AREA DISTRICT HEATING AND COOLING SYSTEM."

Strike subsection (h) of section 1 and insert the following in lieu thereof:

3 "(h) For the provision of energy products and services, the 4 Commissioner of Public Works shall periodically invoice and collect a 5 pro rata share of the costs described in this subsection from each state 6 agency and owner or tenant of the buildings on the Capitol Area 7 System that are not owned by the state, to the extent not prohibited by 8 contracts in effect as of November 4, 2008. The Commissioner of Public Works shall periodically submit proposed rate setting methods and 10 proposed rates to the Secretary of the Office of Policy and 11 Management for the secretary's approval. No such method or rate shall 12 be effective without the secretary's approval. Rates shall be based on: 13 (1) A pro rata share of all costs of acquiring the system, including all 14 costs for legal and consultant services; (2) a pro rata share of the cost of 15 such energy products or services, whether produced by the state or

16 purchased from third parties; (3) a pro rata share of any and all costs of 17 operating, maintaining and repairing said system, including the cost of 18 services provided by vendors and the cost of equipment; (4) a pro rata 19 share of an amount determined to be necessary for long-term capital 20 improvements or replacement, which amount shall be specifically 21 identified in the Public Works Heating and Cooling Energy Revolving 22 Account, and allocated for long-term capital improvements or 23 replacement; (5) a pro rata share of the Department of Public Works' 24 personnel costs related to the operation, maintenance, repair and 25 improvement of the Capitol Area System, provided not more than one 26 full-time employee of the department shall be allocated to the system; 27 and (6) a pro rata share of the cost of other products or services 28 incurred and permitted by this section. Not more than forty-five days 29 after receipt of a proposed rate setting method or a proposed rate from 30 the commissioner, the Secretary of the Office of Policy and 31 Management shall approve or disapprove such proposed method or 32 rate. If the secretary fails to act on such proposed method or rate 33 within such period, the commissioner's proposal shall be deemed to 34 have been approved. On a quarterly basis, the Commissioner of Public 35 Works shall transmit to the General Fund any portion of the costs that 36 are attributable to the provisions of subdivision (1) of this subsection."

Strike sections 3 and 4 in their entirety and insert the following in lieu thereof:

"Sec. 3. (*Effective from passage*) (a) For the purposes described in subsection (b) of this section, the State Bond Commission shall have the power, from time to time, to authorize the issuance of bonds of the state in one or more series and in principal amounts not exceeding in the aggregate ten million six hundred thousand dollars.

(b) The proceeds of the sale of said bonds, to the extent of the amount stated in subsection (a) of this section, shall be used by the Department of Public Works for the purpose of the sale provided for in section 1 of this act, for the Capitol Area System and the assets and property of TEN Companies, Inc., related to said system, as set forth in

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the Asset Purchase Agreement between TEN Companies, Inc., and the state of Connecticut dated November 4, 2008.

- (c) All provisions of section 3-20 of the general statutes, or the exercise of any right or power granted thereby, which are not inconsistent with the provisions of this section are hereby adopted and shall apply to all bonds authorized by the State Bond Commission pursuant to this section, and temporary notes in anticipation of the money to be derived from the sale of any such bonds so authorized may be issued in accordance with said section 3-20 and from time to time renewed. Such bonds shall mature at such time or times not exceeding twenty years from their respective dates as may be provided in or pursuant to the resolution or resolutions of the State Bond Commission authorizing such bonds. None of said bonds shall be authorized except upon a finding by the State Bond Commission that there has been filed with it a request for such authorization which is signed by or on behalf of the Secretary of the Office of Policy and Management and states such terms and conditions as said commission, in its discretion, may require. Said bonds issued pursuant to this section shall be general obligations of the state and the full faith and credit of the state of Connecticut are pledged for the payment of the principal of and interest on said bonds as the same become due, and accordingly and as part of the contract of the state with the holders of said bonds, appropriation of all amounts necessary for punctual payment of such principal and interest is hereby made, and the State Treasurer shall pay such principal and interest as the same become due.
- Sec. 4. (*Effective from passage*) (a) For the purposes described in subsection (b) of this section, the State Bond Commission shall have the power, from time to time, to authorize the issuance of bonds of the state in one or more series and in principal amounts not exceeding in the aggregate one million dollars.
- 80 (b) The proceeds of the sale of said bonds, to the extent of the 81 amount stated in subsection (a) of this section, shall be used by the

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Department of Public Works for the transactional costs related to the purchase of the Capitol Area System, as provided in section 1 of this act, including the state's insurance costs, the state's legal fees, reimbursement to TEN Companies, Inc., for prepaid property taxes, a reasonable amount for start-up funding for the Public Works Heating and Cooling Energy Revolving Account, as established in section 1 of this act, and for the purchase and installation of pipe necessary for the operation of the Capitol Area System, including the cost of pipe and its installation as the interconnection between the supply and return lines of the Capitol Area System at or near the point of interconnection between the Capitol Area System and TEN Companies, Inc.'s other district energy system located in the downtown area of the city of Hartford.

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